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the specification of which (check one) ☐ is attached hereto or ☒ was filed on May 14, 1999 as Application Serial No. 09/311,832 and was amended on (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s):

Priority Claimed

Yes No

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
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